

December 20, 2010

Mr. Joe Yun, Program Manager
Department of Water Resources
DIRWM
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Sacramento, CA 94236-0001

RE: Support for Proposition 84 Planning Grant Funding Recommendations

Dear Mr. Yun:

I am writing to express Soquel Creek Water District's support for the Department of Water Resource's (DWR) Proposition 84 Planning Grant funding recommendations. We are pleased that DWR recommends full funding for the proposal submitted on behalf of the Santa Cruz Region. These funds will help the Region update the Integrated Regional Water Management (IRWM) Plan to ensure that it fully meets state standards and thoroughly addresses the water resources challenges facing our region. Funding will support development of climate change response strategies, improved data management, performance and monitoring methods, and linkages between IRWM planning and local land use planning, among other tasks. In addition, funding will support key technical studies to support further IRWM Planning efforts.

We support DWR's recommendations for funding the other Central Coast regions. The Santa Cruz Region collaborates with all the Central Coast IRWM regions to support planning and implementation efforts in the other regions. In particular, we look forward to collaboration with the Pajaro region on several of their Plan update tasks that benefit our shared resources.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at laurab@soquelcreekwater.org, 831-475-8500. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

SOQUEL CREEK WATER DISTRICT



Laura D. Brown
General Manager